## PATENT APPLICATION

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Inventor(s):

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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

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| ( <b>X</b> ) | Response/Amendment                           | ( ) Petition to extend time to resp | espond |
| ( )          | New fee as calculated below                  | ( ) Supplemental Declaration        |        |
| ( )          | No additional fee                            |                                     |        |
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| \$                        |    | 4TH MONTH<br>\$1480.00 |  | тн    | 3RD MON<br>\$950.00  | MONTH<br>20.00              |            | 1ST MONTH<br>\$110.00  | EXTENSION<br>FEE                           |                  |  |
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Charge \$ 0 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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Typed Name: Patrick G Billig

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Respectfully submitted,

Dale C. Morris et al.

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Dear Sir:

This Response is in reply to the Non-Final Office Action mailed April 29, 2004. No claims have been amended with this Response.